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IMPROVED QUOTE INPUT CAPABILITIES

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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

After entry of the Amendment in Response to Final Office Action filed May 14, 2007, and prior to further examination on the merits, please consider the following remarks:

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